

Claims

I claim:

1. A storage rack for bedpans which mounts to a vertical surface, comprising:
a support adapted to receive and hold at least one bedpan;
5 a shield adapted to be mounted to the vertical surface to protect the vertical surface
from splatters; and
wherein said support is adapted to be mountable to said shield to retain the bedpan
on the vertical surface.

10 2. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support is removably mountable
to the shield plate.

3. The storage rack according to Claim 2, wherein the support includes a plurality of the
mounting plates affixed thereto, each having the keyhole therethrough with a circular bottom and
15 a narrower slot extending therefrom, and the shield includes a plurality of the headed studs arranged
in corresponding positions to said keyholes, each having a rod affixed extending from said shield
and a head spaced from said shield, said rods being of such a size as to closely slidably fit through
said slots and said heads being of such a size as to closely pass through said circular bottoms of
keyholes.

20 4. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the shield comprises a shield plate
made of a sheet material chosen from the group consisting of plexiglass, stainless steel, and
aluminum, said shield plate having a plurality of mounting holes therethrough for passing respective
screws to mount said shield plate to the vertical surface.

5. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support includes a front wall, a pair of side walls, and a rear wall which define a bedpan receiving space in which the bedpan may be placed.

5 6. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support comprises respective upper and lower racks which are interconnected by at least one connecting member.

7. The storage rack according to Claim 6, wherein the lower rack is adapted to receive and hold the bedpan.

10 8. The storage rack according to Claim 6, wherein each connecting member is adapted to be cut to separate the upper and lower racks, and the shield plate is adapted to be cut to provide respective upper and lower shield plates for said upper and lower racks which are mounted to the vertical surface in a desired arrangement and with said upper and lower racks respectively attached
15 thereto.

9. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support is fabricated substantially from rods.

20 10. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support is adapted to receive and hold at least one device additional to the bedpan chosen from the group consisting of a urinal, a graduated bottle, and a cleaning device.

11. The storage rack according to Claim 10, further comprising:
25 a cleaning device chosen from the group consisting of a manual scrubbing device and a spray bottle;

a container adapted to receive and hold said cleaning device; and

wherein the support includes respective upper and lower brackets externally affixed thereto and adapted to receive and hold said cleaning device.

5 12. The storage rack according to Claim 11, wherein the upper bracket comprises a ring adapted to closely receive cylindrical containers, and the lower bracket comprises a platform adapted to vertically support said container, both being substantially horizontally disposed.

10 13. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support comprises separate upper and lower racks, and the shield comprises separate upper and lower shields for said upper and lower racks which are mounted to the vertical surface in a desired arrangement and with said upper and lower racks respectively attached thereto.

15 14. The storage rack according to Claim 1, wherein the support and shield are each substantially of rectangular configuration.

 15. A storage rack for bedpans which mounts to a vertical surface, comprising:
 a support of substantially rectangular configuration fabricated substantially from rods adapted to receive and hold at least one bedpan, said support comprising an upper rack and a lower rack which are interconnected by at least one connecting member comprising a rod, said lower rack being adapted to receive and hold the bedpan, said upper and lower racks each including a front wall, a pair of side walls, and a rear wall which define respective interior device receiving spaces, said interior device receiving space of said lower rack comprising a bedpan receiving space in which the bedpan may be placed;

25 a shield of substantially rectangular configuration adapted to be mounted to the vertical surface to protect the vertical surface from splatters; and

wherein said support is adapted to be mountable to said shield to retain the bedpan on the vertical surface, each connecting member is adapted to be cut to separate the upper and lower racks, and said shield plate is adapted to be cut to provide respective upper and lower shield plates for said upper and lower racks which are mounted to the vertical surface in a desired arrangement and with said upper and lower racks respectively attached thereto.

16. The storage rack according to Claim 15, wherein the support is removably mountable to the shield plate, said support which includes a plurality of the mounting plates affixed thereto, each having the keyhole therethrough with a circular bottom and a narrower slot extending therefrom, and the shield includes a plurality of the headed studs arranged in corresponding positions to said keyholes, each having a rod affixed extending from said shield and a head spaced from said shield, said rods being of such a size as to closely slidably fit through said slots and said heads being of such a size as to closely pass through said circular bottoms of keyholes, and said shield comprises a shield plate made of a sheet material chosen from the group consisting of plexiglass, stainless steel, aluminum, and plastic, said shield plate having a plurality of mounting holes therethrough for passing respective screws to mount said shield plate to the vertical surface.

17. The storage rack according to Claim 15, wherein the support is adapted to receive and hold at least one device in addition to the bedpan chosen from the group consisting of a urinal and a graduated bottle, further comprising a cleaning device chosen from the group consisting of a manual scrubbing device and a spray bottle, further comprising a container adapted to receive and hold said cleaning device, and wherein said support includes respective upper and lower brackets externally affixed thereto and adapted to receive and hold said cleaning device.

18. A method for cleaning, sanitizing, and storing hospital devices used to temporarily contain bodily fluids and other bodily products, comprising the steps of:

providing a support mounted on a vertical surface adapted for receiving and supporting a cleaning device and at least one hospital device;

placing the cleaning device and the hospital device on the support;

5 removing at least one hospital device from the support and using it to receive the bodily product;

dumping the bodily product from the hospital device;

removing the cleaning device from the support device;

cleaning and sanitizing the hospital device using the cleaning device; and

10 replacing the cleaning device and the cleaned hospital device on the support for later use.

19. The method according to Claim 18, wherein the support provided is mounted on the vertical surface with a shield therebetween to protect the vertical surface from splatters, and the hospital device is a bedpan and at least one other chosen from the group consisting of a urinal and
15 a graduated bottle.

20. The method according to Claim 18, further comprising the step of:
providing a cleaning and disinfecting solution for use with the cleaning device; and
wherein the cleaning device used is chosen from the group consisting of a manual
20 scrubbing device and a spray bottle, used with a container adapted to receive and hold the cleaning device on the support.